



THE REPRESENTATIVE
OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
TO THE
UNITED NATIONS

October 28, 1962

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Accordingly, you are authorized to convey to the Cuban authorities the assurances contained in President Kennedy's letter of October 27 to Chairman Khrushchev.

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Sincerely yours,


Adlai E. Stevenson

His Excellency
U Thant,
Acting Secretary General
of the United Nations.

October 28, 1962

6:30 p.m.

LETTER FROM PRESIDENT KENNEDY TO SECRETARY-GENERAL

Delivered by Amb. Stevenson 10/28.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE /GDC/MR

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Dear Mr. Secretary General:

President Kennedy has authorized me, in reply to your letter of October 26, to inform you that your understanding of the lines on which a satisfactory solution of this problem could be reached is correct.

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